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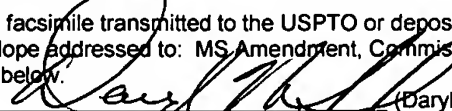
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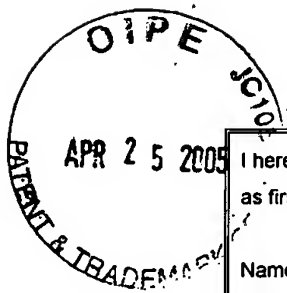
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 21, 2004, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks for the Examiner's consideration.